

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A spacer device for the oral administration of a volatile medium containing a medicament, which device comprises a chamber having an inlet to admit a measured dose of medicament and an outlet to be received in the mouth, wherein the chamber is made of a polyamide and comprises two frustoconical members assembled together coaxially at divergent ends, said inlet and outlet being respectively at opposed convergent ends.

2-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 1, wherein the divergent end of one member is received in the divergent end of the other member to provide a substantially air-tight seal.

6. (Original) A device according to claim 5, wherein the said divergent ends have complementary stepped surfaces to provide a close air-tight fit.

7. (Currently Amended) A spacer device according to claim 1, for the oral administration of a volatile medium containing a medicament, which device comprises a chamber having an inlet to admit a measured dose of medicament and an outlet to be received in the mouth, wherein the chamber is made of a polyamide and comprises two frustoconical members assembled together coaxially at divergent ends, said inlet and outlet being respectively at opposed convergent ends, wherein locking means are provided to lock the two members together in assembled condition.

8. (Previously Presented) An inhaler for dispensing a measured dose of a medicament in a volatile medium, a spacer device for receiving the medium, and means whereby the user can inhale the said medium from the spacer device, wherein the spacer device is made of polyamide and comprises two frustoconical members assembled together coaxially at their divergent ends, said inlet and outlet being respectively at the opposed convergent ends.

9. (Previously Presented) An inhaler and spacer device according to claim 8, wherein the spacer device is for the oral administration of a volatile medium containing a medicament, which device comprises a chamber having an inlet to admit a measured dose of medicament and an outlet to be received in the mouth.

10. (Previously Presented) The use of a non-metallic antistatic spacer device according to claim 1, for the inhalation of a particulate medicament in a volatile medium.

11. (Original) The use according to claim 10, wherein there is substantially little or no deposit of medicament on the inside of the device.

12 (Previously Presented) A method of administering a dose of a fine particulate medicament suspended in a gas, which comprises injecting said dose into a polyamide chamber, the chamber comprising two frustoconical members assembled together coaxially at their divergent ends, said inlet and outlet being respectively at the opposed convergent ends, and inhaling the dose from the chamber.

13. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein the chamber device is in a device having an inlet to admit a measured dose of medicament and an outlet to be received in the mouth.

14. (Cancelled)